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Re: Docket No. DN2002-053

Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing a Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the Specification, including 36 claims, 4 sheets of drawings, Declaration and Power of Attorney of Michael Lester Kerns and Steven Kristofer Henning for **SYNTHESIS OF FUNCTIONALIZED HIGH VINYL RUBBER**.

Please note that the subject patent application claims the benefit of United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/436,923, filed on December 27, 2002.

The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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| Basic Fee | \$750.00 |
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| Number of independent claims in excess of 3, times \$84.00 | |
| TOTAL FILING FEE | \$1,038.00 |

Please charge our deposit account No. 07-1725 in the amount of \$1,038.00 in payment of the filing fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required pursuant to 37 CFR 1.16 and/or 37 CFR 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to deposit account No. 07-1725. This letter is being submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,



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